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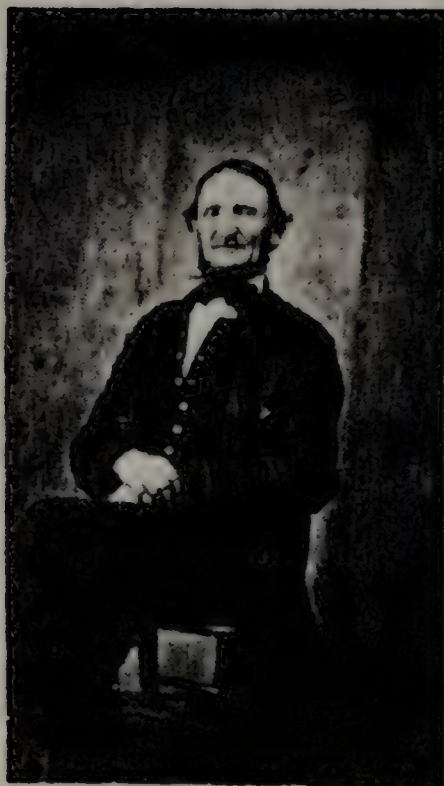
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Dedication



ELIAS MURDOUGH



MALINDA P. MURDOUGH

To

ELIAS AND MALINDA P. MURDOUGH
AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

THIS LITTLE VOLUME IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED

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The Author



MARY ALICE MURDOCK LIGHTNER

Mary Alice Murdock Lightner was born in the log cabin, shown on the next page, on a farm. She attended the public schools near her home, continuing there until she began teaching, in which work she was engaged for ten years. She married John Lightner of Stockport, Ohio, and together they carried on a mercantile business at Browns Mills, Ohio, (later called Wolf Creek). Her chosen work was with the public, for she loved that kind of work and still loves to help others.—*Wayne V. Harsha.*

Her Birthplace



This is where I was born,
In the Cabin by the Lane,
That went up the Hill to Grandpa's House,
Where I wish I could again.

—*Mary Alice Murdock Lightner.*

Millwrights Register



Family Names	When and Where Born	Married, Where & by Whom	Died, When & Where
PARENTS.			
Eliza	May 18 1801	Ann in New York to her husband	Nov 1 1880 New York
Michael	May 10 1807	"	Oct 7 1890 New York
CHILDREN.			
Elizabeth	Apr 6 1816	"	Jan 25 1897 Washington D.C.
James	March 17 1820	Edwin in Wash. D.C. to Dr. Shumway	Aug 12 1886 Washington D.C.
Ellen	Sept 20 1820	Edw. in Wash. D.C. to Dr. Shumway	Apr 12 1890 Washington D.C.
George	June 26 1821	Ann in Washington D.C. to Dr. Shumway	Nov 29 1893 Wash.
Virginia	Feb 26 1822	May in Wash. D.C. to Dr. Shumway	March 27 1883 Washington D.C.
John	Apr 27 1823	Edw. in Wash. D.C. to Dr. Shumway	Feb 3 1871 Washington D.C.
Harold	Feb 18 1827	Dec 18 1829, Mary to Dr. Shumway	Apr 29 1864 Washington D.C.
Arthur	Jan 25 1828	"	"

Entered by J. H. Shumway

Preface

When I was appointed to write the History of the Murdough Family, I accepted the honor with pleasure. I did not feel that I was better qualified to do the work than were others of our family, but as one of the members of our family said, "I possessed more facts concerning the whole family than anyone else," being the third living grandchild of Elias and Malinda Pewthers Murdough. I was born within a short distance of my Grandparents' home, grew up beside them while they spent their declining years in my parents' home. The other children of our Grandparents married and lived not far from them, and when I grew large enough and old enough to be of some use, I helped them care for their children, washed dishes, swept, and so on. I have lived in all their homes, and that is why I seem to know them so well. I felt that it would be a pleasure to write this, A History of the Murdough Family.

—*Mary Alice Murdock Lightner.*

Introduction



SCOTLAND

Perhaps it would not be amiss for me to give a brief description of Scotland, as it was the home of our ancestors.

Scotland is situated in the Northern part of the island of Great Britain and is divided by the Grampian Hills into the Highlands and the Lowlands; the Highlands are located in the Northwestern portion, a section rich in minerals and famous for the Aberdeen granite quarries. Enormous deposits of coal and iron are found in the Lowlands, which are situated in the Southern part of Scotland; these deposits make this district one of the wealthiest in the world. Agriculture is confined mostly to the Lowlands, Scottish farmers being noted for their straight furrows. American farmers are indebted to the Scottish stock raisers for Clydesdale horses, Polled Angus and Galloway cattle, and the Ayrshire strain of dairy cows.

The ancestors of the inhabitants of the Highlands came from England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and France; the forefathers of the Lowlanders came from England and were of Teutonic origin. Histories of today say that "There is no distinguishing difference" between the two divisions of Scotland.

The Highlands were possibly so named because they are hilly and even mountainous and heavy with timber. The Lowlands are better adapted to grazing and farming.

I am unable to say from which part our ancestors came, but from the strong sense of humor that many of us possess, I am inclined to think that somewhere in us flows a strong vein of Irish blood.

A History of the Murdough Family

FIRST GENERATION

The first generation of the Murdough family, as far as can be ascertained, was John Murdough and his wife, Mary Dilse Murdough, who were both of Scotch descent. They came from Pennsylvania in 1804, settling in Wood County, West Virginia. Their children, as far as we know, were Rebecca Murdough, Elias Murdough, Jesse Murdough and Will Murdough. Rebecca married Charles Sharpe of Harmar, Ohio, now West Marietta. They lived and died there. Jesse was married twice, his last wife being Margaret Hazelrigg of Williamstown, West Virginia, where they both lived and died. Will went to Pennsylvania and was unmarried the last we knew of him.

ELIAS MURDOUGH, OUR GRANDFATHER

SECOND GENERATION

Elias Murdough was born May 10, 1807, in Wood County, West Virginia. He was married to Malinda Pewthers January 16, 1826. Malinda Pewthers was born August 10, 1797, in Wood County, West Virginia. She was a daughter of James Pewthers and wife, who both came from Scotland prior to 1790, and settled on Vienna Bottom, Wood County, West Virginia, where, or near the place where, our reunion was held in 1931, with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bryan as host and hostess. Other known children of James Pewthers and wife were Elizabeth, who married Timothy Hiett, one of the pioneers of Palmer Township, and Malinda Shinn's mother, whose name I have been unable to get, but who married a Nash. Elias and Malinda Murdough moved to Fort Harmar (now West Marietta) where they lived for two years. In April of 1828 they moved to "White Oaks," known later as Roxbury Township, then to Palmer Township where they resided for several years, renting later the farm now known as the Chas. Yarnell farm, where they lived until he bought a farm west of the Yarnell farm, and where they lived until their death. Their children attended school at Palmer while they lived on the farm now known as the Yarnell farm, walking to and from school. They all had a fair education, and what was not learned at school was read and studied by fire-light and candle-light. The practical branches taught were, "Readin'" and "Writin'" and "Rithmetic," taught to the tune "of a Hickory Stick," but they were well learned, and became the four cornerstones of their lives, "Reading," "Writing," "Arithmetic," and "Obedience," upon which they placed the foundation for a better education, and for lives of usefulness. Six of their eight children grew up, married, and settled near them, and they had the pleasure of seeing them often, as long as they both lived.

CHILDREN OF ELIAS AND MALINDA MURDOUGH

Elizabeth Ann Murdough, born November 6, 1826.

James Monroe Murdough, born March 4, 1828.

Mary Pewthers Murdough, born September 30, 1830.

George Washington Murdough, born June 26, 1831.

Virginia Ann Murdough, born February 26, 1833.

Jesse Granville Murdough, born November 1, 1834.

Sarah Katherine Murdough, born October 16, 1837.

Charles Jerome Murdough, born January 28, 1840.

The above names are accurately copied from the Original Family Register, and written by George W. Murdough.

Elias Murdough was a man of sterling habits, true and loyal to his family and in all his dealings with his neighbors and friends, always making his word good. Kind and generous to all, he was one of the pioneers of Palmer Township, whose sons and daughters helped in the progress of the township, and while his grandchildren are scattered today in different states, a goodly number of them are following in the footsteps of their ancestors in the same township. He was a farmer who lived and farmed when wheat was cut with a cradle, grass mowed with a scythe, wood chopped with an axe, corn planted by dropping three grains in a hill three feet apart each way, having been previously furrowed out by a single-shovel plow both ways, dropping the corn in the intersecting furrows. The reason I can give you such a good description of planting corn is that I was there to drop the corn, which was covered with a hoe, father and Uncle Jesse Murdough doing the covering. Uncle Jesse, having the store at Brown's Mills, was glad of an opportunity to get outside to work. Mother cooked for all of us, and always had a chicken dinner, especially if Uncle Jesse was there. Grandfather was a man who loved the out of doors, loved to hunt and fish, and was a strong hearty man. He did not profess religion until he was sixty-two years old; churches then were scarce. In the year 1862, Rev. J. H. Dickson, a United Brethren minister, held a protracted meeting (as they called it then) in the old Hebron school house near our home in Windsor Township, and there was a great revival, and many joined the church, among them Elias Murdough who went into that, as in other things, with his whole heart; nothing was left undone that he could do for the advancement of the church, which still stands as a living monument to him as well as others who helped to build it. I speak of the first church built by the neighborhood, each man working until the building was complete, named "Fairview." One acre of ground was donated by a Mr. Rhodes, of Marietta, who at that time owned a number of acres where Dale is now located. Grandfather was appointed sexton, which office he held during his lifetime. He died November 1, 1880, at the residence of his son, George W., of liver trouble, after a week's illness. He was taken to the church, where he loved so well to go, for the funeral services, conducted by Rev. Robb, U. B. minister of Fairview church at that time. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery.

Right here I would like to relate an incident that occurred after the funeral of Elias Murdough. During the last few days of his illness he lamented very much because he could not go to the election, which was an important one, and wanted father not to miss it. He died Sunday, November 1st, election being Tuesday, November 3, with the funeral at 2:30 P.M. on Tuesday. Jesse, Monroe and Robert Breckenridge all voted at Palmer on their way to the funeral. Father, living in Morgan County, had to go to Stockport. He could not get back from the funeral in time to go, so a man was sent after him, met him at the Brown's Mills bridge on his way home from the funeral, and they rode horseback to Stockport in time to vote. The man brought him back to Roxbury and he walked from there home. If all who have the privilege of voting were as energetic to get to the polls today, the worst depression the United States has ever seen might have been averted.

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MALINDA PEWTERS MURDOUGH

Malinda Pewthers Murdough was a member of Palmer M. E. Church for thirty-six years. She was a true, faithful, and affectionate wife and mother. They toiled, rejoiced, and sorrowed together, bringing up their family, with the divine life that taught them to "Honor Thy Father and Mother in the Days of Thy Youth." These early principles for right were not only taught to their children, but to their grandchildren as well. From my earliest recollection we lived near them, and in their declining years they lived with our family. We were taught the Ten Commandments early and that they were to be obeyed, and if their children, or grandchildren ever swerved from the path of duty, it was not because of our training. She died at the residence of her son-in-law, Robert Breckenridge of Palmer, at whose home she was visiting, February 9, 1870. Funeral services were conducted from the home. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery.

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I shall begin with the eldest child, and continue to the youngest generation, giving names and dates as nearly correct as I can obtain them.

THIRD GENERATION

FIRST CHILD OF ELIAS AND MALINDA M.

Elizabeth Ann Murdough was born November 6, 1826, and died January 25, 1827, in Washington County, Ohio. I do not know where she was buried, but as they did not move from Point Harmar to Roxbury until 1828, she must have died at Point Harmar, and probably is buried there, as they lived there two years before coming to "White Oaks," or Roxbury.

THIRD GENERATION

SECOND CHILD OF ELIAS AND MALINDA M.

James Monroe Murdough was married to Nancy Breckenridge, who was born January 15, 1828. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Breckenridge, a resident of Palmer Township. They moved to Malta, Morgan County, Ohio, in 1850, where he learned to be a cabinet maker; he was also an excellent carpenter. They moved to the farm formerly owned by his wife's father. They went to housekeeping in the log house on this farm, where they lived for twenty years. In the years of 1868, 1869 and 1870 the present house was built. The brick was made and burnt on the place, and stone was cut for the basement and foundation. There being no cement at that time, the stones were laid with mortar the men made themselves. No machinery was used for anything, all work being done by hand. All the wood work was done by James M. Murdough, even to making the shingles that covered the house. In later years it was roofed with slate, and is still substantial, standing as a monument to James M. Murdough and his faithful wife and family. The farm is now owned by their youngest son, Robert H. Murdough, who still keeps it well preserved.

They had the following children: Hugh Breckenridge Murdough, born September 24, 1850, Malta, Ohio. George Dudley Murdough, born October 25, 1853, Palmer, Ohio. Henry G. Murdough, born June 15, 1859, Palmer, Ohio. Robert Harvey Murdough, born February 14, 1862, Palmer, Ohio. Ella Annie Murdough, born October 5, 1866, Palmer, Ohio.

James M. Murdough was a true Christian man, a leader in the M. E. church at Palmer, of which he was a member for twenty-four years, and was also Sunday School superintendent for many years, he and his family driving to church each Sunday. He was also prominent in politics and was a member of the Board of County Commissioners for many years, and until his death, quoting from another, it was said of him, "He was one of the most careful, competent, and safe men, who was ever entrusted with the important duties of that office, and to know intimately, and be the friend of such a man, was a privilege of anyone." His life began amid humble surroundings, but his early teaching found lodgment in a pure heart, and was cherished with a holy purpose in his maturer years. He also possessed a strong sense of humor, and no one enjoyed a good joke more than he. He was an ardent admirer of Bill Nye, one of the most noted of humorists of his time. He was a regular correspondent of the "Marietta Register," edited by E. R. Alderman, one of his valued friends. He loved music, choice readings and debates, in fact anything of a literary nature was appreciated by him. His favorite hymn was "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There." He was a charter member of "The Palmer M. E. Mite Society" and was always on hand with his family to enjoy the day in full. He loved to visit the scenes of his boyhood, and would always mention the "Oak Tree" under which he with his brothers and sisters played. He wrote a piece for the "Marietta Register," quoting a part of the poem, which was in the school reader of that time, and which is as follows:

Woodman, spare that tree,
Touch not a single bough;
In youth it sheltered me,
And I'll protect it now;
When but an idle boy,
I sought its graceful shade;
In all their gushing joy,
There too my sisters played,
So Woodman, spare that tree.

A description of the above named tree is given in the history of George W. Murdough. James M. Murdough died at his home of measles August 12, 1886. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Gabriel Payne, assisted by Rev. Bay of Barlow. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery. His wife died October 3, 1895. Services were conducted at the cemetery on account of the birth of Leland Ford, son of Frank and Ella Murdough Ford, which occurred at the home the same day. We, as his descendants, miss him although forty-six years have slipped away since he left us. He was the eldest of his generation, and strange as it may seem, yet pleasant to know, his eldest son, Hugh B. Murdough, stands at our head today, aged eighty-two years, and is the worthy president of our Reunions, which have been conducted successfully for eleven years.

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FOURTH GENERATION

HUGH BRECKENRIDGE MURDOUGH

Hugh Breckenridge Murdough grew to manhood on his father's farm. He attended the public school in the district; it was an excellent school, and he acquired a very good education. He married Nancy Anne Breckenridge, second daughter of Andrew F. and Elizabeth Palmer Breckenridge. He went to housekeeping in the old red house built by Joseph Palmer, the first pioneer of Palmer Township, and after whom the township was named. He next lived on the Thomas Graham farm not far from his father's home. After that he bought the Joseph Danly farm, where he lived until he and his wife went to the home of his wife's parents to care for them. He now owns the farm, and still lives there at the ripe old age of eighty-two years, a successful farmer. As the oldest living grandchild of Elias and Malinda Murdough, he is at the head of the fourth generation. As a boy he was well liked by everyone, kind and faithful, a frequent visitor among his relatives, who were always glad to see him. Possessing a strong sense of humor, he was always welcome at all social gatherings, and he and his wife were both excellent entertainers. He is a man whom we have all tried to look up to and follow—strictly honest and upright. He has held several responsible offices in both county and township, and he is still able, at the age of eighty-two years, to give some sound and sensible advice to the younger ones of his generation. On July 28, 1923, he was elected president of the Murdough Reunion, which office he has held worthily up to the

present. They had no children, but they took a little girl, Belle Lane, and reared her. She has cared for him since the death of his wife, which occurred September 4, 1924.

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FOURTH GENERATION

GEORGE DUDLEY MURDOUGH

He, like his brother Hugh, lived on his father's farm, attending the district school until grown. His parents wanted him to attend college, but even at that age the farm held a fascination for him, and he chose that as his occupation, and judging from his life, it was the right one. He married Mary E. Breckenridge, youngest daughter of Andrew F. and Elizabeth Palmer Breckenridge of Palmer, January 1, 1879. They went to housekeeping in a small house on the same farm where they live today. Later they built a nice, large, convenient house where they now live, having resided on the same farm for fifty-two years. It was said at one time his farm and buildings ranked as one of the best, if not the best, kept farms in the township. He is seventy-eight years old, yet if you visit his home today you will find it about the same, "A place for everything, and everything in its place." He has always taken a deep interest in all the Fairs in the state, and is a member of several Fair boards. He is also a member of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 37, A. F. & A. M., the Rufus Putnam Chapter No. 108, R. A. M., and he and his wife both belong to Mt. Moriah Chapter No. 506, O. E. S., all of the above at Beverly, Ohio. His wife, Mary, and all his children have been faithful helpers. Today there are but three in the family, he, his wife, and daughter, Maude, and a more peaceful, quiet home you will seldom find, or where one is more welcome. They had four children:

Clair M. Murdough, born June 18, 1879, Palmer, Ohio.

Maude M. Murdough, born April 30, 1883, Palmer, Ohio.

Hazel M. Murdough, born June 17, 1895, Palmer, Ohio.

Fern M. Murdough, born December 7, 1899, Palmer, Ohio.

Clair was married to Bertha Harra of Watertown, Ohio, May 11, 1910. He purchased the T. E. Ferguson farm, where they lived until his death, which occurred October 31, 1920, with burial in Murdock cemetery. There were no children.

Maude is at home with her parents, a great help and comfort to them in their declining years. She drives their automobile and takes them anywhere they want to go. She is an active social worker, is a member of Mt. Moriah Chapter 506, O. E. S. at Beverly, Ohio, also formerly belonged to the Garnet Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F. at Watertown, Ohio, holding a Past Grand Badge; she is also active in all church work, and our reunions.

Hazel was married to Herman Harra of Watertown, Ohio, April 15, 1915. They own a nice farm of 108 acres in Watertown Township, five miles south of Waterford, Ohio. They have three children, George M., Ray A., and Wayne L.

Fern M. married Jerald B. Zumbro May 12, 1920. He worked in the oil fields for several years. They purchased their home at Dale, where they now reside, shortly after their marriage. They have two children, Mary Elizabeth and Clair H.

I finished the history of George D. Murdough March 3, 1932. On March 4 came the news of his death, which was quite a shock to me. He died at his home of pneumonia after a week's illness. He was buried March 6, 1932, in the Murdock cemetery, in sight of his home where he grew to manhood. Services were conducted from his residence by Rev. J. B. Williamson of Beverly, Ohio. Fifty Masons of Mt. Moriah Lodge of Beverly, and thirty members of O. E. S. were present and gave their ritualistic services. He was well and favorably known all over the county in which he lived, and will be greatly missed.

MRS. GEORGE DUDLEY MURDOUGH

After my book was finished and ready for the publisher, there came the news of the death of Mrs. George Dudley Murdough, who died of pneumonia at her home in Palmer, Ohio, December 2, 1932, less than a year after her husband's death. She had not been in good health for some time, and died rather suddenly. She was a member of the Palmer M. E. Church, also a member of Mt. Moriah Chapter No. 506, O. E. S. of Beverly, Ohio. She was an excellent woman, a good neighbor, and a friend to all. Services were conducted at the home, with burial in Murdock Cemetery.

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FOURTH GENERATION

HENRY G. MURDOUGH

Henry G. Murdough, third son of James and Nancy Murdough, died of diphtheria November 27, 1865, at the home of his parents. Burial was made in the Murdock cemetery.

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FOURTH GENERATION

ROBERT HARVEY MURDOUGH

The fourth son of James and Nancy Murdough grew up on the farm, went to school until of age, working on the farm and helping his mother about the house until he acquired an adequate knowledge of the art of housekeeping, which has proved to be of great benefit to him. He is a good manager and an excellent housekeeper. I visit him frequently and always find his house in perfect order, with plenty to eat and well cooked. He is a farmer and owns his father's farm, which is kept, as his house, in perfect condition. Our reunion of July 22, 1928, was held at his home, celebrating the 100th birthdays of both his parents. It is a very interesting home to visit as it contains many antiques belonging to both his parents. He never married. Long may he live to enjoy his home and its comforts.

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FOURTH GENERATION

ELLA ANNIE MURDOUGH

The youngest child of James and Nancy Murdough after going through school remained at home with her parents, until her marriage

to Frank Ford, of Watertown, Ohio, November 27, 1888, by Rev. Bay of Barlow. They lived at her home, for some time after their marriage, as her mother was in feeble health. One son, Leland, was born to them October 5, 1895. His birth occurred the same day Ella's mother was buried. She was divorced from Frank later and lived with her brother Harvey at the old home, until her marriage to Abner Palmer, a wealthy farmer of near Watertown, Ohio, on whose farm they now live.

Leland Ford, son of Frank and Ella Ford, was born October 5, 1895. He lived with his mother and Harvey until his marriage to Nellie Eichmiller of Watertown, November 29, 1916. He built a nice home, on the Murdough farm, and now helps to farm it. He was also active in the oil business. They have four children: Leroy, Howard, Alvin and Ada.

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THIRD GENERATION

MARY PEWTERS MURDOUGH

The second daughter of Elias and Malinda Murdough was educated in the District school at Palmer. She taught several terms of school, later learning the tailor trade, from Thomas Breckenridge, and was an expert seamstress. She was married to Robert Breckenridge, of Watertown, Ohio, October 29, 1849. I am not sure, but think they went to housekeeping in the small house that stood on the farm, later owned by their son John, afterward living in the house known as the Ephraim Palmer home. From there they went to the farm now owned by Chase Bingham, living there until they bought his father's farm, going there to care for him in his declining years, and where her husband died, October 22, 1887. She joined the Palmer M. E. Church when a young lady and was a consistent member all her life. Her seat in church was never vacant if she was able to go. Her favorite hymn was the "Ninety and Nine," which was sung for her by the young people on many occasions. She was a charter member of the "Palmer Social Mite Society," as it was then called, was kind in sickness and ready to help those in need. Her nieces and nephews loved to visit in her home and we loved to have her visit us, that we might show our appreciation of her kindness. I am reminded of the poem:

"Out to Old Aunt Mary's"

Wasn't it pleasant, oh brother of mine,
In those old days of lost sunshine,
Of youth, when the Saturday's chores were through,
And the Sunday's wood, in the kitchen too,
And we went visiting, me and you,
Out to old Aunt Mary's?

It all comes back, so clear today,
Though I am old and you are gray;
Out by the barn lot, and down the lane,
As light as the tips of the drops of rain,
Going out to old Aunt Mary's.

After the death of her husband, she lived on in her home, cared for by her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Reed. She was the last of her brothers and sisters to go. Three generations have known and loved her, and her good influence, and work of her Christian life still lives. She died April 24, 1912. The services were conducted by Rev. Howard, M. E. minister of Palmer. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery.



FOURTH GENERATION

Children born to Robert and Mary P. Breckenridge

James M., born July 31, 1850, Palmer, Ohio; died September 29, 1860. Nancy M., born July 8, 1857; died October 18, 1860.

The above named children died of diphtheria, during the scourge of 1860, and were buried in the Murdock cemetery.

John H., born September 26, 1861, Palmer, Ohio, was married to Alice Agnes Cheadle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cheadle of Roxbury, Ohio. They bought a farm from John's father, Robert Breckenridge. John was an expert farmer. They built a nice home on their farm and lived there until his death, which occurred October 26, 1902, of pneumonia. Services were held at the home with burial in Murdock cemetery.

Robert S. Breckenridge, born December 21, 1863, married Rosa B. Dearth, a teacher in the public schools of near Beverly, Ohio. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dearth of near Center Bend, Ohio. Robert was a fine young man, well educated, and a good business man. They lived in Beverly, Ohio, for awhile, then went to Columbiana, where he worked in a ready-to-wear clothing store. They finally moved to Pasadena, California, where he died January 10, 1925, and was buried there. They had three children: Harold, Lucille, and James.

Joseph Bucey Breckenridge, born August 5, 1866, in Palmer, Ohio, stayed with his mother on the farm after the death of his father, until his marriage to Elizabeth Dipple, a teacher of Watertown, Ohio. He bought the store formerly owned by W. R. Stacey, and conducted a paying business for several years, and was also prominent in the affairs of the township. His health failing, they moved to Pasadena, California, and worked in the lumber business. The outdoor life benefited him, and he still lives there, the only surviving child of Robt. and Mary P. Breckenridge. They have four children, Chester, Frances, Mabel, and Evelyn, who married Rudolph Grenier, of Pasadena, California; they have one child, Frances June Grenier.

Lucy Bell Breckenridge, born November 16, 1868, in Palmer, Ohio, was married to James Fletcher Reed, of Beckett, Ohio, November 14, 1889. Three children were born to them, one, a boy dying in infancy. They had two other sons: Howard, born September 2, 1892, and Dudley, born April 16, 1900.

Howard married and has one child, a boy.

Dudley is an expert aviator, and is in the employ of a man in West Virginia. He still calls his father's house his home, as he is not married.

Lucy was a member of Palmer M. E. Church and took an active part in all church and social activities, caring for her mother while she lived with her. Lucy died September 17, 1912. Services were held at the home and were conducted by a Rev. Howard, of Barlow. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery. Later her husband married Lucy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Palmer, and they own and still live at the old Breckenridge home, honored and respected citizens of Palmer.

Dudley Sharpe, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Breckenridge, was born September 26, 1871. He married Maggie Burris of Palmer. He had a position in Marietta, where they lived until his death which occurred June 27, 1908.

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THIRD GENERATION

GEORGE W. MURDOUGH

The fourth child of Elias and Malinda Murdough was born June 26, 1831, in a log house, on the farm now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hale just across the road from the old Robert I. Danley farm, on a small elevation. The old fireplace, in ruins, still stood there, when I, as a child, passed the place, my father pointing to his birthplace and saying it was full of happy memories for him. He would also point to a large oak tree, which still stands on the same side of the road as the Danley place, about 30 rods or less toward the creek on the E. E. Henry farm, and say to us: "My brothers and I played under that tree when I was a little boy, and I hoped it would never be cut down." He visited the tree about once a year with some of his brothers, so long as he lived. This tree was measured by him July 24, 1898; he found it to be twenty feet in circumference three feet above the ground. This was his last visit as he died in 1899. He would have been one hundred years old, June 26, 1931.

"So here's to the Oak, the brave old Oak,
Which still stands in his pride alone,
And still flourish he, a hale green tree,
When a hundred *more* years are gone."

George was very much like his brother, Monroe, in many things; both were farmers and received the same education in the district schools until they were grown. They kept the knowledge they had already gained, by reading and keeping up on the affairs of the world in general. George, my father, was a man of strict habits and principles, honest and upright in all his dealings, a member of the United Brethren Church at Fairview, now Dale. He was exposed to the measles when a very young man and was sent to Aunt Betsey Hiett's to have them, as Grandmother had taken Thomas Graham's baby, Susie, to keep, his wife having died previously. They did not want the baby to have them. My father was very ill. He never fully recovered from the effects of them. Many people wondered why the Murdough children never had the measles when young, so this

is why. Mary Murdough Breckenridge always had to watch out for them and never had them. James Monroe had them and died from the effects, and Chas. Jerome had them while in the Civil War. George W. Murdough was married to Sarah Esther Shinn, June 10, 1854. She was a daughter of Samuel and Polly Pugh Shinn and was a sister of David Shinn, who married Malinda Nash, a niece of Grandmother Murdough. This is where the Murdoughs are connected with David Shinn's family. My Grandmother Shinn was a Pugh. Geo. W. Murdough's family was distantly connected with the Pughs, who live in Palmer today. Samuel Shinn came from Pennsylvania, was a Methodist minister and a direct descendant of William Penn. I have in my possession a Pewter plate, belonging to my great-great-grandmother, from which Penn had eaten many times. George W. Murdough bought twenty-five acres of land from his father, built a one-room log house and they went to house-keeping. My brother, Bloom, and I were both born in this house. In 1861 he moved to a farm near by, owned at that time by a man by the name of Rhodes, who lived in Marietta. The farm was a fine fruit farm and had a great many cherry trees on it, which were very productive; and my father often went there to care for the fruit. The farm was later bought by John Daugherty. The third child of George and Sarah Murdough was born here. They lived here during the Civil War; for a short time before the close of the war he was a "Home Guard" at Marietta, Ohio. Then after the death of his brother Charlie, he moved to the home of his parents to care for them in their declining years. Taking over the place in 1881, he and his son, Bloom, built a new house on the site of the old one. His wife, Sarah, died June 4, 1898. He lived with his son Milton and wife until December, 1898, when he went to live through the winter with his son-in-law and wife, John and Matie Lightner, at Brown's Mills, Ohio, where he died April 16, 1899. Services were conducted by Rev. Simms of Palmer circuit, an M. E. Minister, with burial in Gard cemetery, beside his wife who preceded him by less than a year. Her funeral took place from their home. Services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Turban, U. B. minister of Fairview, or Dale.

Four children were born to this union, all of whom are living today.

Mary Alice Murdough, born December 2, 1855.

Bloomfield Pewthers Murdough, born March 9, 1859.

Milton Salmon Murdough, born August 25, 1862.

Charles Jerome Murdough, born March 11, 1871.

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FOURTH GENERATION

MARY ALICE MURDOUGH

Mary Alice Murdough was born in a one-room log house in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. I went to school at Hebron Ridge until I was seventeen years of age, and then went to a select school at Palmer schoolhouse, taught by Maggie Greenless, an excellent teacher; later I went to the same kind of a school, taught by Luther Eddleblute at the Flat Woods schoolhouse, Lydia Breckenridge and I, both boarding at Uncle Monroe Murdough's. After that I attended several terms at

Beverly Academy, taught by Prof. R. J. Smith, of Beverly. I taught my first term of school at the Union schoolhouse in Washington County, Ohio, during the summer of 1873. I got \$60.00 for sixty-six days, twenty-two days to the month, teaching every other Saturday. How elated I was to make a start in my chosen work, none but myself ever knew. I walked to and from my school, a distance of two and one-half miles each way. I taught for ten years in Morgan and Washington Counties. During vacations I would work for Uncle Jesse Murdough, where I learned the profession of "storekeeping." I also worked in all the homes of my uncles and aunts on my father's side, which has been a great help to me in writing this book, and to know people, their habits and customs, one must live among them. They were all so kind and helpful to me that I have always seemed to be a part of each family. The three last terms I taught were at Veto, Washington County, Ohio. In March, 1882, after the close of my last term there, I went to keep house for brother Bloom, who had bought the store at Brown's Mills, from Uncle Jesse Murdough. I stayed there until my marriage to John Lightner of Stockport, Ohio, on January 24, 1883. He was a clerk in T. B. Lane's store in Stockport, Ohio. We lived a year in Stockport. On January 24, 1884, we bought the store building, lot and stock of goods from Bloom Murdough, where we continued in business for twenty-five years, buying in the meantime the Michener farm, also the farm known as the J. D. Hemphill farm, both of which I now own. In 1908 we traded the lot, building and store goods to Perry Hansford of Westerville, Ohio, for a farm. Also bought a small farm of thirty acres, where we moved April 16, 1908. We sold later twenty acres, which was laid out in town lots and sold, being later annexed to the village of Westerville, Ohio, leaving the buildings and ten acres of land. My husband died there May 28, 1923, of cancer. Funeral services were conducted from the First Presbyterian Church. The Presbyterian minister was assisted by Rev. E. E. Burtner of the United Brethren Church, Westerville. Burial was made in Otterbein Cemetery, Westerville. I afterward sold my home and have since lived with my son Charles and wife. We now live in Granville, Ohio. I have reached the age of seventy-seven years and do not have many years ahead of me, according to nature. May they be spent in good deeds, kind words with a deep reverence and love for Him who has spared me for so many years.

FIFTH GENERATION

Four children were born to this union.

Nellie May Lightner, born February 22, 1886.

Mary Virginia Lightner, born September 23, 1887.

Lucy Ellen Lightner, born May 27, 1890.

Charles Bloomfield Lightner, born November 20, 1894.

Nellie May Lightner, eldest child of John and Mary Lightner, attended the public schools at Brown's Mills, Ohio. She graduated from Marietta High School in 1904. She married Arthur V. Harsha of Marietta, Ohio,

June 15, 1904. They went to Ellenboro, West Virginia, where he was stationed by the Marietta Torpedo Company. They lived there several years when he was transferred to Cairo, West Virginia, and from there to Utica, Ohio, later buying property in Westerville, Ohio, where they moved to place the older children in high school, where they live today. Nellie is an active member of the United Brethren Church, prominent in social affairs, an active member of Eastern Star. They have five children.

Wayne V. was born May 2, 1905, in Ellenboro, West Virginia. He attended the grade schools, graduating from the Westerville High School in 1923. He entered Otterbein University, graduating from there in June 1927, specializing in Journalism, English and American Literature, French and Spanish. In July, following his graduation, he obtained a fine position with the Hartman Printing Company of Springfield, Illinois. He has had several promotions, and is now Managing Editor of National Printer Journalist, a national publication for newspaper men and commercial printers. He is a young man of sterling qualities, loved and trusted.

Ronald Lee Harsha was born December 14, 1907, in Ellenboro, West Virginia. He attended the grade schools and graduated from Westerville High School May 28, 1925. He entered Mann's Business College in Columbus, Ohio, and graduated from there in 1926. He was married to Elouise Routzohn of Dayton, Ohio, a daughter of Judge Routzohn of Probate Court of Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio. Ronald has a good position at the Federal Courthouse as court stenographer. They live in Dayton, Ohio, and have two children.

James S. Harsha, first son of Ronald and Elouise Harsha, was born May 7, 1925, being the first child of the seventh generation born into the Murdough family. May he live as long and be as good and useful a man as the present leader of the Murdough family, viz., Hugh B. Murdough, who is now eighty-two years old, hale and hearty.

Harry Arthur Harsha, second son of Ronald and Elouise Harsha, was born August 4, 1928. He is also of the seventh generation.

Denton T. Harsha, born February 26, 1910, in Cairo, West Virginia, went through the grade schools and after graduating from the Westerville High School he entered a garage in Westerville as a mechanic and is now head mechanic and a partner with his father in the Automatic Brake Testing business in Columbus, Ohio. He was married to Miss Awanda Andres, of Columbus, Ohio, May 30, 1933. They now live in Columbus.

Helen Lucille Harsha was born March 16, 1913, in Cairo, West Virginia. She graduated from Westerville High School May 24, 1931. She is now in Otterbein College, Westerville, specializing in music.

Mary Kathryn Harsha was born October 25, 1915, in Cairo, West Virginia. Her first term at school was in the grade school of Westerville, Ohio. She graduated from Westerville High School in 1933 and was a very popular student. She is quite accomplished in athletics, of which she is very fond.

Mary Virginia Lightner, second daughter of Mary A. and John Lightner, attended the public school at Brown's Mills, Ohio. She graduated from Marietta High School in 1904. She entered the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, graduating July 31, 1905, specializing in Oratory. Later she attended the Montaville Flowers School of Oratory in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was married to Worth Gordon Green of Condit, Ohio, September 23, 1912. He is salesman for the Denoyer-Geppert Company of Chicago, selling school supplies to schools and colleges. Mary was active in her chosen work of oratory and assisted in the various entertainments of church, parent-teachers and Eastern Star, until her death in Westerville June 2, 1934. The family now lives in Westerville, Ohio, with three children living and one dead.

Worth Gordon Green, Jr., was born August 30, 1914, in Enid, Oklahoma, and died August 30, 1914.

Edward Gordon Green, born March 25, 1918, in Atlanta, Georgia, is a student in Westerville High School.

Richard Neil Green, born October 14, 1920, in Westerville, Ohio, is a pupil in the grade schools of that place.

Virginia Dell Green, born September 1, 1924, in Westerville, Ohio, attends the grade school there.

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Lucy Ellen Lightner, third daughter of Mary A. and John Lightner, attended the public school at Brown's Mills, Ohio. She was married to Jesse B. Carr of Portsmouth, Ohio, December 24, 1911. He was manager of a restaurant at the place. She was later divorced from him, returning to the home of her parents in Westerville, Ohio, where she lived until her tragic death which occurred October 27, 1921. She was employed by the Kilgore Manufacturing Company of Westerville. She was in the cap room packing caps for toy pistols when an explosion occurred, killing two and seriously injuring four others.

These sudden deaths are hard to bear,
We know not how, or when, or where,
The Lord will call us from our home on earth,
To a better home than the land of our Birth.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. E. Burtner, pastor of the First U. B. Church, Westerville, Ohio, where the services were held. Burial was made in Otterbein Cemetery by G. W. Stockdale and Son, Westerville, Ohio.

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Charles B. Lightner, only son of Mary A. and John Lightner, attended the public school at Brown's Mills, Ohio, until thirteen years of age, when he moved with his parents to Westerville, Ohio. He graduated from Westerville High School, also from Bliss Business College in Columbus, Ohio, and entered Otterbein College. The World War was then in progress and on December 12 he enlisted in the Aviation Corps of the regular army. He stayed at the Barracks in Columbus, Ohio, until December 27 when he was sent with eight hundred others to Rockford, Illinois. From

there he was sent January 1, 1918, to Fort Worth, Texas. From there he went to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he graduated from the Air Service Mechanical School. He was sent from there to Montgomery, Alabama, to enter the aviation section of the United States Army, where he held a rating of first-class Sergeant in the 883rd Aero Squadron, and remaining there until he was discharged in May, 1919. He then made application for United Civil Service in the air service in charge of the Liberty Motor Division at Montgomery, Alabama, where he remained until July 1, 1921. He was married July 4, 1921, to Ethel Holmes Parker of Panama City, Florida. They came North and stayed with his parents in Westerville, Ohio, during the illness and death of his father. He then built a house in Westerville, Ohio, where he was in the automobile business, and where they lived for seven years. Charles as a boy and man had many friends and is well liked and respected wherever he goes. His wife is a fine woman and all who visit them receive a cordial welcome and theirs is a happy and pleasant home. They live in Granville, Ohio, where he is manager of the Ford Agency there.

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FOURTH GENERATION

BLOOM F. MURDOUGH

B. F. Murdough, son of Geo. W. and Sarah E. Murdough, was born March 9, 1859, in Morgan County, Ohio, and went to the district school at Hebron, Ohio, now called Dale. He later attended Bartlett Academy, and after that he attended several terms at Beverly College, taught by Professor R. J. Smith of Beverly. He taught his first term of school at the Malster school house in Palmer Township in 1877, afterward taught at Veto and at Barlow, Ohio. On March 9, 1882, he bought the store building, lot and goods from his Uncle Jesse G. Murdough, and began business there. He was married in Marietta, Ohio, to Matilda C. Agin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Agin of Vincent, Ohio, September 9, 1882. They went to house-keeping in the residence adjoining the store building, where they continued in business for more than a year, when he sold the store property and goods to John and Matie Lightner, having accepted a position with E. G. Miller, at Zanesville, Ohio, in the wholesale and produce business, later becoming a partner. They formed a branch office in Columbus, Ohio, Bloom and family moving to that city, where he resided for twenty-five years in the same business, buying out his partner. He was also engaged in the oil business at Wolf Creek, Ohio, which started in 1900. After the death of his parents, he bought the home farm, selling his business in Columbus, and moving to the farm. He sold this farm and bought one near Vincent. His wife died December 18, 1922; she was buried at Veto, Ohio. Since then he has lived with his son, Dayton, in Parkersburg, West Virginia, loved and respected by all. Three children were born to them.

FIFTH GENERATION

Herman Wiles Murdough, was born August 11, 1883, at Brown's Mills, Ohio, where they lived. He later attended school in Columbus where they moved. He had a position with a large steel plant in Cleveland where he died, April 15, 1915, with burial in Veto cemetery. He was not married.

Frederic Carlton Murdough was born February 12, 1887, in Zanesville, Ohio. He graduated from high school in Columbus, Ohio, and is a fine musician. He traveled for several years with a theatrical company. He lives in Orrville, Ohio, unmarried.

Dayton O. Murdough was born November 22, 1890, in Columbus, Ohio. He graduated from high school there, and went with his father to the farm. He was married to Miss Nina Lochary of Roxbury, Ohio, November 27, 1911. They moved to Parkersburg, West Virginia, where he went into the automobile business. He became sales manager for the Motormart, a Ford agency, where he has been for the past fifteen years. He is honest, upright, and respected by all who know him. They have two daughters: Eva Murdough, who married William Brownback, June 26, 1930. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Her husband is a traveling salesman. Lillian Murdough, who graduated from Belpre High School, and who resides with her parents in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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FOURTH GENERATION

MILTON S. MURDOUGH

Milton S. Murdough, third son of George W. and Sarah Murdough, was born August 25, 1862, in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. He attended the district school at Hebron, Ohio, until grown. Not being very strong, he stayed with his parents on the farm until his marriage to Charlotte Winner of Oak Hill, Ohio. He purchased a small farm from Samuel Marshall, adjoining his father's farm, and moved there. He also assisted his father on his farm until 1900. When the oil business boomed at Brown's Mills, Ohio, and vicinity, he worked in the oil fields there until it had somewhat subsided, when he sold his farm and moved to Kentucky, having a position with the Indian Oil Company as district foreman. He then bought a small farm near Owensboro, Kentucky, and is now living on it, the oil business having been abandoned there. He is loved and respected by all his friends. Seven children were born to them.

FIFTH GENERATION

Clarence Amos Murdough was born December 5, 1883. He also went to the district school at Hebron, Ohio, until grown. He then worked with his father in the oil field. He was married to Martha Pegg of Marietta, September 16, 1905. They had one child, Frances Charlotte. She is married, but I do not know her husband's name. Clarence was again married November 19, 1918, to Edith K. Dennis of Texas. He had two children by this marriage, Clarence A. Jr. and Jack Hayden. They live at Big Springs, Texas.

Roy E. Murdough was born June 4, 1885. He also attended Hebron district school until grown. He worked with his father in the oil fields, and stayed with his Grandfather for a while after his Grandmother died. He went to Kentucky with his father, working in the oil fields with him. He was married to Louisa Wood of Greenville, Kentucky, where they now live. They have four children, viz. Gladys, Margaret, Gertrude, and Roy S. Jr.

Alice Rowena Murdough was born October 14, 1887; she married Albert Bachelor of Dale, Ohio, October 14, 1905. They had three children,

Mabel, Helen, and Alba B. who died when eighteen months old. He is buried at Casey, Illinois, where they lived at the time of his death. Alice was a fine woman, a member of the United Brethern church at Dale, also a member of Kedar Rebekah Lodge at Casey, Illinois, and one of its devoted members. She died at Colorado Springs, Colorado, where she went for her health. She was buried at Casey, Illinois.

"None knew her, but to love her,
None named her, but to praise."

Helen and Mabel are with their father in Chicago, Illinois.

Zora Edna Murdough was born April 9, 1890. She was married to Samuel Kimberlin of Casey, Illinois. They had two children, Raymond and Ellenor. Zora was a true wife and mother, and her pastor at Casey, Illinois, where they lived, spoke of her as such. Her tragic death was a great shock to her relatives and friends back in Ohio, as well as her friends there. She started a fire with oil, which act resulted in explosion. She was burned to death with her little girl who was standing by her mother's side. Her little boy escaped. The house was almost consumed by the fire before help arrived. Funeral services were conducted from the home of her sister, Mrs. Virgil Bachelor of Casey, Illinois. The little boy, Raymond Milton, lives with his father in Chicago, Illinois.

Bertha Ellen Murdough was born July 18, 1893, in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. She was married to Virgil Bachelor of Dale, Ohio, July 5, 1910. He worked in the oil field at Dale and Brown's Mills until the oil boom subsided, and they moved to Casey, Illinois, where he continued in the same business. They now live in Staunton, Illinois. They have three children, Herman, Winston and Virgil Ross, Jr.

Coral Irene Murdough was born January 18, 1904, in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. She graduated from high school in Owensboro, Kentucky, and was employed by a creamery company of that place as book-keeper. She married Logusta Poole November 15, 1930. One child, Roy Gene, was born to them December 15, 1931. She came home from the hospital when her baby was two weeks old, seemingly in good health. She was crossing the room and dropped to the floor, living but a few minutes after she was stricken. A clot of blood on her lungs caused her death, the doctor said. Her parents keep the baby, and her husband helps to care for it. She was at the reunion held at the home of Hattie Radikin.

Victor Neal Murdough, youngest child of Milton and Lottie Murdough, was born October 22, 1908, in Casey, Illinois, and died there November 15, 1908. He was buried at Casey, Illinois.

The family of Milton and Lottie have had their share of trouble, only three of the seven children remaining.

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FOURTH GENERATION

CHARLES JEROME MURDOUGH

Charles Jerome Murdough, youngest son of George W. and Sarah E. Murdough, was born March 11, 1871, in a log cabin in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. He attended the Hebron school near his home and also went to Bartlett Academy at Bartlett, Ohio, later graduating from

Parson's Business College in Columbus, Ohio. He was employed by a wholesale fruit and produce company of Columbus, first as a city salesman, later as a buyer, traveling in all of the states east of the Mississippi river except Maine, also in many of the western states. On December 12, 1895, he was married to Bertha Dell of Columbus, Ohio. Two children were born to them, Dell, a son, dying in infancy, and Doris, a daughter, who was married to Dr. Roger A. Owens of Cleveland. He was graduated from Ohio State University at a veterinary surgeon. They have three children, Billie Ben, Sallie Lou, and George Murdough. Charlie and wife lived a while in Zanesville where he was a member of the Board of Public Works. On September 7, 1904, he was again married to Miss Bertha Atchinson of Columbus, Ohio, in May, 1910. He was appointed Assistant Postmaster at Zanesville, Ohio, serving four years. He resigned from that to accept the nomination of Clerk of Supreme Court, but as the office was not an appointive one, but an elective one, he did not allow his name to be used. He was later appointed Assistant State Boiler Inspector, which office he held until 1920, when he resigned to enter the General Brokerage and Real Estate Business in Columbus, Ohio, where they now live. There were born to this union five children, one, a boy, dying in infancy:

FIFTH GENERATION

Charles Jerome, Jr., a student in Ohio State University.

Kathryn, who graduated from North High School in Columbus, and spent one year in Mt. Vernon College, and graduated from business college in Columbus. She has a fine position as secretary of a large insurance company in Columbus.

William Atchinson Murdough, a senior in North High School, Columbus.

James Richard, a junior in North High School, Columbus.

THIRD GENERATION

VIRGINIA ANN MURDOUGH

Virginia Ann Murdough was born February 26, 1833, in Palmer, Washington County, Ohio. She attended the public school at that place. She was married to Alonzo B. Ellis of near Stockport, Ohio, May 11, 1856, and went to live on his farm where three of their children were born. Her husband enlisted in the Civil War and died in a hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, May 21, 1862. She moved to the home of her mother-in-law at Taber, Ohio, where she stayed until she sold her farm near Stockport and bought a small farm from her brother George adjoining his and moved there. Her youngest child, Alonzo B. Ellis, was born there and was only two weeks old when the news of his father's death reached them. She stayed on her farm until her children were nearly grown when she sold that farm, buying a larger one from Henry Deming of East Watertown, Ohio, where she moved February 22, 1875, with her three boys. She lived there until her marriage to Brazie Waterman. She went with him to his farm giving her farm to her three boys. She was a consistent member of the United Brethren Church of Fairview, Ohio (now Dale), and took her membership to Pleasant Grove Church near her home at East Watertown, Ohio. She was loyal and true, rearing her

boys and helping them in every way she could. She was active in the church and a good neighbor. Four children were born to them.

FOURTH GENERATION

Josephine, born July 20, 1857, died November 29, 1870, in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. Services were conducted from the home and burial was made in Murdough Cemetery.

Orlando Ellis was born April 1, 1859, in Wesley Township, Ohio. He attended the public school at Hebron, Ohio, and worked on his mother's farm until his marriage to Ida Devose of Watertown, Ohio. They owned a farm near Waterford, Ohio, and were successful farmers. They sold their farm there, and bought another near Manhattan, Kansas, where they have been very successful, and own a large farm in the wheat-growing section of Kansas. They have two children.

Dayton Ellis was born September 16, 1883, near Waterford, Ohio. He went west with his parents, and grew to manhood there. He was married to Edith Christena Stenvers of Manhattan, Kansas, March 15, 1919. Dayton is a successful farmer and lives near Manhattan, Kansas. They had two children, both dying in infancy.

Myrta Ellis was born July 31, 1886, near Waterford, Ohio. She married Ben F. Puett, of Manhattan, Kansas. They own a farm six miles out of Manhattan where they live. They have one son, Glen Dowe Puett, born January 17, 1910. He married Marie Saathoff of Manhattan, and they have two children, Glen Dowe, Jr., and Katherine Ann.

Edwin Ellis was born October 7, 1860. He lived with his mother on her farm, attending the public school at East Watertown. He married Mary Cain of Watertown, Ohio. They owned a small farm near Watertown and lived there. They had three children:

Cecil Ellis of Watertown, who is also a farmer, married Mrs. Laura Quimby of Watertown, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Allison of near Watertown. They have two children, Helen Louise Ellis and Howard Ellis.

Charlie Ellis, who lives on his parents' farm near Watertown, Ohio, married Freda Baldwin of Swift, Ohio, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, the latter being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer of Swift, Ohio. They have one child, Dean Edwin, born February 8, 1920.

Ethel Ellis, daughter of Edwin and Mary Ellis, was born August 31, 1895, near Waterford, Ohio. She was married to William H. Knowlton, May 2, 1917, and lives near Watertown, Ohio. They have two children, James Edwin, born December 8, 1917, and Maxine Virginia, born September 6, 1920. James is in Waterford High School; Maxine, in Marietta.

Edwin Ellis was a quiet man, fond of his home and children, and loved and esteemed by all. He died May 13, 1923, at his home near Watertown. Services were conducted at the home and burial was made in Murdock Cemetery.

Alonzo B. Ellis, Jr., youngest child of Virginia Murdough and Alonzo B. Ellis, was born May 7, 1862, in Windsor Township, Morgan County, Ohio. He was also a farmer. He was married to Elma F. Daugherty of Watertown, Ohio. They lived on a farm near Watertown, where their

first child was born February 4, 1901. Later they moved to Firstview, Colorado, where they lived for some time. They later returned to Ohio, buying a farm at Chesterhill, Ohio, where his wife died several years ago. They had two children. Arthur Ellis, their first child, died in infancy and was buried at Firstview, Colorado, September 12, 1917. Jesse Ellis, their second child, was born at Waterford, Ohio, July 5, 1919, and died June 1, 1927, at Chesterhill, Ohio, where his father lives on his farm by himself.

The three boys, reared by their widowed mother, all grew to manhood and made of themselves what they are today. She lived to see her labors rewarded, for they were all good to her. She died March 29, 1911, at her son Alonzo's home near Watertown, Ohio. Burial was made in Murdock Cemetery.

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THIRD GENERATION

JESSE GRANVILLE MURDOUGH

Third son of Elias and Malinda Murdough was born November 1, 1836, in Palmer Township, Washington County, Ohio. He attended public school at Palmer, also attended "select school" at Palmer. He taught for several years. He was married to Mary A. Palmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Palmer of Palmer, Ohio. November 3, 1860, he enlisted in the Civil War for 100 days, designated as the "One-Hundred-Day" man. He was stationed first at Old Point Comfort, Virginia; later at Bermuda Hundred, Virginia. He was in Co. F of the 148th Regiment under Captain Turner of Marietta. He came home at the close of the war and went into the mercantile business in the store room owned by A. F. Breckenridge of Palmer. He went from there to Brown's Mills, Ohio, buying the real estate there from Samuel Brown, April 13, 1866. He enlarged his stock of goods and conducted an excellent mercantile business, where he remained until his health failed, when he sold to B. F. Murdough, December 14, 1881, his real estate and store goods, buying the John D. Hemphill farm adjoining; he lived there until his death. He was a man of sterling habits and principles, and a man popular in his business, and just in his dealings with the public. He held several township offices, and was school director for many years. He was always interested in the schools, being an excellent teacher himself. No one enjoyed a joke more than he, and the first day of April each year was a holiday for him. He began early in the morning and continued all day. I well remember April 1, 1882. Mary Cheadle taught the winter term of school at Hebron, Bloom Murdough the Barlow school, and I, the Veto school. Our schools were finished the week before the Hebron school, and we were at home. Mary was having an entertainment at the schoolhouse the evening after her last day of school, and invited us to assist her. We all went to our house until evening. As we went, I said, "Uncle Jesse Murdough will be there tonight and it is the first day of April; we must beat him to a joke." Bloom secured a block of wood, fixed an upright piece in the center, on which was tacked a large piece of white pasteboard, on which was printed in large black letters,

"April Fool." It was left until the last act. Just previously the stage manager had announced that the last act would be given, the best of all, and called the attention of the audience to the stage. The curtains were slowly drawn back, revealing nothing but the "April Fool." It took about a minute for the audience to get it, then the applause was deafening. Many times after that Uncle Jesse would laugh with me when we thought of it. He was a member of A. F. & A. M. Lodge at Bartlett, Ohio, for many years. He died at his home at Brown's Mills, Ohio, March 27, 1883, of liver trouble. Funeral was conducted by the Masonic lodge of Bartlett, and the sermon was delivered by Rev. J. G. Jones, M. E. minister of that place. Burial was in the Murdock cemetery.

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FOURTH GENERATION

Augustus Ellsworth, born August 5, 1861.

Susan A., born September 12, 1863.

Addie Josephine, born June 21, 1866.

Julia Sharpe, born January 7, 1870.

Annie Laura, born July 30, 1875.

James Dalzell, born September 21, 1877.

Nellie Evelyn, born August 30, 1879.

Augustus Ellsworth, eldest child of Jesse and Mary Murdough, attended public school at Palmer. He was a successful farmer, owning a farm near his parents' home. He was a great help to his mother after the death of his father. Oil was found on his farm in paying quantities during the oil boom at Wolf Creek in 1900. He married Mary Burfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burfield, of Fairfield, September 27, 1888. He was a man of good principles and had many friends. One child was born to them, Gladys. She lives with her mother on their farm. Augustus died October 31, 1906, in Marietta Hospital. Services were conducted at the Palmer M. E. Church, and burial in Murdock cemetery.

Susan Ann Murdough died at the home of her parents October 1, 1876, aged thirteen years. Funeral services were conducted by her teacher, John H. T. Browning, of Palmer. Prayer and a talk were presented by Rev. John Daugherty. Burial was made in Murdock cemetery.

Addie Josephine Murdough attended school at Palmer and assisted her mother in the care of the younger children. She was married to Charles B. Ullom, Oil Operator in West Virginia. He was formerly of Pennsylvania. They own the farm that belonged to his father, George Ullom. They have two children living, one dead.

Jesse Ullom, born in Palmer Township August 2, 1892, and died at St. Mary's, West Virginia, August 15, 1899.

CHILDREN OF ADDIE JOSEPHINE AND CHARLES B. ULLOM

Charles Ullom, Jr., was born August 8, 1899. He married Nora Wolf of Haydenville, Ohio. They have four children.

Richard Ray, born January 23, 1919.

Ada Josephine, born August 26, 1920.

Doris Caroline, born October 6, 1922.

Virginia Rose, born October 1, 1924.

All at home with their parents in Haydenville, Ohio.

Earl Ullom was born January 25, 1901. He was married to Elsie Lorentz, daughter of Joseph and Maggie Lorentz of Palmer, Ohio, January 30, 1926. They have one child, Earl, Jr., born in Palmer, Ohio. Earl works in the oil fields in Michigan.

Addie is a woman loved and respected by all who know her. She was a help to her mother in the rearing of the younger children, and is an excellent nurse.

Julia Sharpe Murdough attended school at Palmer and acquired a very good education. She was an expert needlewoman and did much of that kind of work. She was also an excellent clerk in the store of Mr. and Mrs. John Lightner, where she stayed during the "Oil Boom." She was married to William Worthington of Pennsylvania December 2, 1903. He is an oil operator. They own their home in Vincent, Ohio, where they have lived for some time. Julia has been the secretary of our reunions for eleven years, which speaks well for her ability in that line. She is a member of the M. E. Church at Vincent, Ohio, and a teacher in the Sabbath school. They have no children but have assisted in the rearing of their nephews and nieces as well as looking after other children in the town, where they are honored and respected citizens.

Anne Laura Murdough died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Lewis, of Qualey, where she lived after her mother's death, March 6, 1913. Funeral services were conducted from the residence. Burial was made in Murdough cemetery.

James Dalzell Murdough attended school at Palmer during his boyhood days; he also attended Beverly College. He worked in the oil fields at St. Mary's, West Virginia, prior to the oil boom at Brown's Mills, Ohio, (Wolf Creek) when he worked in that field until 1908. He was married to Jessie Bingham June 5, 1907. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chase Bingham of Palmer, Ohio. They lived at Wolf Creek until 1908 when they purchased the store building and thirteen acres of land from J. B. Breckenridge, in Palmer, Ohio, where he conducted a successful mercantile business until June 29, 1924. When the building and goods were burned, as the ground, barn and garage were left, he converted the place into a chicken farm, raising each year from eight hundred to one thousand chickens, in which he was also successful. On March 11, he purchased his grandfather's farm, known as the Martin Palmer Home, and has done well there raising stock. Jim has been Township Treasurer and Clerk for several years. He is a member of the Marietta Fair Board and Director of Barlow Fair Board. They live with Mr. and Mrs. Chase Bingham, just across the road from their chicken farm. He and his wife are friends of everyone. They are loved and respected by all, are excellent neighbors and a great help in times of sickness and death, always going where they are needed. They have no children.

Nellie Evelyn Murdough, youngest child of Jesse G. and Mary A. Murdough, attended school at Palmer, Ohio, where she obtained a good education. She assisted J. B. Breckenridge in his store, becoming an

excellent clerk. She was married to Charles Lewis May 25, 1904. Her husband worked in the oil field at Wolf Creek for several years, then they lived for a while on the L. G. Orndoff farm. They later moved to Waterford, Ohio, where two of her children graduated from high school. Nell has an excellent position in Marietta where her youngest child is now in school. She is a very energetic woman and great praise is due her for the part she has taken that her children may be educated and be able to do something for themselves. Her life has not been an easy one. She has had her share of clouds. "May the sun shine for her soon," is the wish of one who helped care for her when she was small.

CHILDREN OF NELLIE AND CHARLES LEWIS

Mildred M. Lewis was born April 25, 1905, and died September 18, 1905. Services were conducted from the home and burial was in Murdock Cemetery.

Darrell Lewis was born January 11, 1906, in Palmer, Ohio. He was married to Edna Becket, Waterford, Ohio, June 18, 1928. They have one child, Darrelyn Marie Lewis, born April 17, 1929, at Waterford, Ohio. They live at Springfield, Ohio.

Edra Lewis was born January 11, 1909. She staid with her Uncle and Aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Worthington of Vincent, Ohio. She graduated from the Vincent High School and attended a teacher's training school at Lowell, Ohio, later attending Ohio University at Athens; she also taught school for several years. She was married to C. B. Schmidt of Lowell, Ohio. They live at Athens.

Lisle Lewis, was born February 6, 1912. He graduated from Waterford High School, going to Kansas afterward, where he secured employment. He married Shirley Smith of Dodge City, Kansas, and they now live there.

Evelyn Lewis, was born November 23, 1915. She graduated from Waterford High School and married Eugene Newton of Lowell, Ohio. They have two children.

Mary Nelle Newton was born April 23, 1931, at Waterford, Ohio.

Patricia Madge Newton was born October 29, 1932, at Lowell, Ohio, where they still live.

James Lewis, youngest child of Nellie and Charles Lewis, was born September 28, 1917. He attended the grade school at Waterford, Ohio. He is attending school at the present in Marietta, Ohio.

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THIRD GENERATION

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SARAH CATHERINE MURDOUGH

was born October 16, 1837, in Palmer Township, Ohio, attending the public school at Palmer and helping her parents on the farm. She was married December 17, 1857, to Dr. Henry Bryan of Palmer, Ohio. His father came from Pennsylvania and bought the farm which is still in the Bryan family. His father died in 1860. The first residence was a house and lot bought from Joseph Palmer, whose father had laid off a

part of his farm in town lots. These lots extended from the home, now owned by H. B. Murdock, to the house and one acre of ground, where Ella Palmer McElvaine now lives. The town was called "Vienna." They lived in the house for awhile then sold or traded it to Joseph Palmer and bought one acre, where Ella McElvaine now lives, moving the house on the other lot to this one, finished it, where they lived for several years. They sold that and bought the J. D. Hemphill farm of twenty-eight acres and moved there in 1869, where his wife died. After her death he sold the farm and he and his children went to live with his mother on the old Bryan farm, which he later bought. He was an excellent doctor and was employed by people over a wide scope of territory. They lived awhile at Vincent, where the boys learned railroading. He died suddenly at the old Bryan home, February 4, 1899, being out there at the time of his death. Sarah Catherine Bryan was a noble woman, true and faithful to her family and home, a kind neighbor and loved by every one. She died February 4, 1871. Services were conducted at the residence at Brown's Mills by Rev. J. H. Dickson, pastor of U. B. Church at Fairview (Dale). Burial was made in Murdock Cemetery.

CHILDREN OF SARAH AND HENRY BRYAN

William Boone Bryan, was born September 2, 1858, and died October 1, 1860, in Palmer, of that dread disease, Diphtheria, which swept away so many children in that year.

Charles Elias Bryan, born January 7, 1860.

George Monroe Bryan, born October 18, 1861.

Hattie Ora Bryan, born January 22, 1865.

Mary Ann Bryan, born October 20, 1870.

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FOURTH GENERATION

CHARLES ELIAS BRYAN

Charles Elias attended the public school at Palmer, Ohio. He went to work on the old M. & C. Railroad in 1877. He continued in that business for forty-two years and eight months, holding various positions, terminating as Superintendent of B. & O. R. R., which place he held for sixteen years, when he retired. He married Elizabeth Galbreath April 14, 1881, a successful teacher in the public schools of Washington County, Ohio. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia, where he is a Road Contractor. To them were born eight children.

Infant daughter, born October 31, 1882 and died November 2, 1882.

Flora Ellen Bryan, was born July 6, 1885, at Belpre, Ohio. She was married to Victor Garretson of Parkersburg, West Virginia, June 16, 1909. They have three children: Victor, Jr., Margaret Elizabeth and Wilbur. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

William Bryan, was born December 13, 1887, in Belpre, Ohio. He is not married and lives at home with his parents in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He works at road contracting with his father.

Bessie Ora Bryan was born March 7, 1890, at Vincent, Ohio. She married Norman Hinman November 28, 1923, in San Francisco, Cali-

fornia. They have two children, George Wheeler Hinman, third, and Elizabeth Ann Hinman. They live in Wheaton, Illinois.

The following beautiful poem was composed and written by the father of George Wheeler Hinman, third, and dedicated to him:

To George Wheeler Hinman, Third

Little feller with Brownie eyes,
Quizzical, gray-blue, wide and wise,
Looking up from your crib at me,
What do you think of what you see?
How does this strange world look to you?
What gates did your new-born soul come through?
Whence comes the sunshine of your smile
That fills my heart with joy the while?
May you some day look on a son of thine
And be blessed with thoughts that now are mine.
My Little Feller.

Little Feller, with fuzzy hair,
With rose red lips and skin so fair
Smiling up from your crib at me,
What will the passing years bring thee?
Those fleeting years in Youth so slow
Which later like winged horses go?
May they bring you Honor and Wealth and Fame
To add to the luster of your name.
May you follow his way whose name you bear
With the strength to fight and faith to dare.
My Little Feller.

Little Feller, your mother's joy,
Grandma's memories bless you, boy.
Sturdy legs gaining strength each day
Too soon will carry you far away.
Our strength will wane while yours will grow.
Your blood will quicken as ours runs slow.
You will sip Earth's pleasures one by one.
May you sift the bad from the good, my son.
May you soon learn the lesson of the sod,
That Life's aim is found through faith in God.
My Little Feller.

Mary Catherine Bryan was born May 25, 1893, in Parkersburg, West Virginia; married January 7, 1914, to F. C. Smoot of Parkersburg, West Virginia. He owns the Smoot Theaters of that place, where they now live. They have two children, Mary Elizabeth and Joan Smoot.

George R. Bryan was born November 30, 1895, in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He was married July 3, 1922, to Alice Nightingale. They have one child, Carolyn Bryan. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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Charles Henry Bryan was born March 1, 1899, in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He was married to Helen Hemphill of Fort Bliss, Texas. He was a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army, but at present is Military Instructor in the University of Illinois at Champaign, Illinois. They have no children.

James Fred Bryan, born June 3, 1903, in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He married Marian Christie of Hollywood, California, September 26, 1929. They live in Chicago, Illinois.

This completes Charlie Bryan's family.

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FOURTH GENERATION GEORGE MONROE BRYAN

George Monroe Bryan, was born in Palmer October 18, 1861. He went to school at Palmer. He was married August 22, 1882, to Frances Pugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salathiel Pugh of Vincent, Ohio. He started working on the Hocking Valley R. R. in November of 1879. After his marriage, he went in 1884 to Williamstown, West Virginia. He was promoted to Section Foreman on the Ohio Railroad and transferred from Williamstown, West Virginia, to St. Mary's, West Virginia, in 1891. He had charge of a camp train. In 1904 he was sent to Ravenswood, West Virginia, receiving another promotion as Supervisor until he was pensioned at sixty-six years of age. They live at Ravenswood, West Virginia, where his advice is still sought in railroad affairs. George's mother, Kate Murdough, (as she was called in her younger days) and his wife's father, Salathiel Pugh, were sweethearts in their younger days. Our grandfather lived on his farm near where Salathiel Pugh and his sister, Adaline Pugh lived. That was on the farm later owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Daugherty, also adjoining my father's farm, where he and my mother lived. The children at home, at our grandfather's at that time, were Virginia, Jesse, Kate and Charlie. With my mother and father to join them in a visit to the Pugh residence they spent many happy hours together. I have heard my folks all speak so often of those old happy days. I felt I must mention it here.

To George M. Bryan and wife were born the following children:

Henry S. Bryan, born January 16, 1883. He married Bessie Adams, September 4, 1904. They have three children living, one dead.

Eugene Bryan, born August 7, 1905.

Robert L. Bryan, born February 19, 1907.

George M. Bryan, born November 2, 1909.

Elizabeth F. Bryan, born September 9, 1911.

Eugene Bryan married Virginia Moore of Los Angeles, California. They have one child, Jo Ann, born September 24, 1927. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Robert L. Bryan lives at his parents' home in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

George M. Bryan died July 13, 1922.

Elizabeth F. Bryan married Merle Graves Meves July 16, 1932.

Georgia A. Bryan, daughter of George M. and Frances Bryan, was

born June 22, 1885. She married Carle E. Williamson June 26, 1907. They have three children. Mary Virginia married Gorden Kyle of Charleston, West Virginia, who is in the furniture business at that place. He and his wife royally entertained the Murdock Reunion at the Pine Manor Country Club July 30, 1932. They have one child Eugene Gorden Kyle. He is one of the seventh generation.

Frankie Carroll Williamson, in school in Ravenwood, West Virginia.

Edna L. Bryan, born November 28, 1887, was married to B. C. Icenhower November 4, 1908. One child was born to them March 13, 1913, named Joseph Bryan Icenhower, now a student in the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. Her husband died June 7, 1924. She was again married to J. K. Cromley of Parkersburg, West Virginia, June 15, 1929. They live in Parkersburg.

Raymond C. Bryan was born January 26, 1890. He was married to Audele Rector June 8, 1909. They have one child, Raymond C., Jr., born September 22, 1918. His wife died October 20, 1924. He was again married to Jean Whitney October 30, 1925.

Hazel H. Bryan, daughter of George and Frances Bryan was born May 22, 1892. She was married to Perle Christian, June 4, 1909. One child was born to them, Katherine, who married John Doonan, October 7, 1930. They have one child, Patricia Lee, born February 12, 1932—7th generation. Hazel was again married to Charles E. Gibeaut, a conductor on the B. & O. Railway. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Nelle Bryan, born April 22, 1895. She married Fred Wilson of Ravenswood, West Virginia, in 1913. They have three children, Charles, Mary Madeline and Bryan Wilson. Charles died August 21, 1933. She was later married to Wallace Guinn. They live in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Frank Bryan, born March 22, 1899, married Letha Springston, December 24, 1918. They have two children, Frankie Elizabeth, born March 16, 1920, and Elah Mae, born February 7, 1926. They live in Ravenswood, West Virginia.

This completes the George Bryan family.

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FOURTH GENERATION

HATTIE ORA BRYAN

Hattie Ora Bryan, only daughter of Sarah Catherine and Dr. Henry Bryan, was born January 22, 1865, in Palmer, Ohio. She attended school in Vincent, Ohio, where she went with her father after her mother's death. She stayed in Veto awhile, attending the Veto school. She was married to Thomas J. Radikin of Vinton, Gallia County, Ohio, October 19, 1882. They lived on the old Bryan farm, where Mr. Radikin died. Hattie was left a widow with seven children to bring up, which she did well and faithfully. The children are all living today, an honor and blessing to their mother. Hattie is a quiet home-loving person, loved and respected by all. She lives in Belpre, Ohio, where she keeps house for her two sons who are single. She now owns the old Bryan farm in Palmer.

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CHILDREN OF HATTIE AND THOMAS J. RADIKIN

Louis M. Radikin, eldest child of Hattie and Thomas J. Radikin, was born July 4, 1883. He married Laura Pixley of Marietta, Ohio, November 1, 1906. They have two children:

Eugenie, who married George Cook of Marietta, Ohio. They have one child, Priscilla Alden Cook, born March 1, 1930, of the seventh generation.

Shirley Radikin, who married Edna Craig of Marietta, Ohio. They have no children.

Louis travels for a large advertising company of Marietta, Ohio.

Ida Radikin, only daughter of Hattie and Thomas Radikin, married Clarence Varner, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Varner, well known residents of Palmer, August 21, 1907. They have four children, all at home at Akron, Ohio. Louise, John, Ross and Kenneth. Clarence is employed by a large dairy at Akron, Ohio, and is engaged in making a Family Tree for the Varner family for their reunion this year (1933).

Charles B. Radikin married Ethel Palmer of Palmer, Ohio. They live on the old Bryan farm, owned by his mother, Hattie Radikin.

Harold Radikin married Nelle Winter of Rockland, Ohio. They have a nice small farm at Rockland. He works for the government and tends his farm, which is very productive and a beautiful place to live. They have no children, but are thinking of adopting one.

Ernest Radikin is single. His real home is with his mother in Belpre, but he works in Akron, Ohio, for the government.

Delmar Radikin bought a home in Belpre. He is single; his mother keeps house for him and his brothers, Ernest and Doris, who live there when not employed. Delmar drives a bus for a transportation company in Parkersburg, West Virginia, making one trip a day from Parkersburg, West Virginia, to Wheeling, West Virginia. He has an important position there and is one of their trusted drivers.

Doris Radikin, youngest son of Hattie and Thomas J. Radikin, works in Parkersburg, West Virginia, making his home with his mother.

When Hattie's children grew up they left the farm, found employment in the cities and made good, all of them holding good positions. I have visited in their home in Belpre. The boys' care of their mother, her pleasant home and her happiness, all show the reward of a mother's love and training. I wish for them many years of happiness.

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FOURTH GENERATION

MARY ANN BRYAN

Mary Ann Bryan, youngest child of Sarah C. and Dr. Henry Bryan born October 20, 1870, died January 5, 1871. Burial was made in Murdock Cemetery.

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I have just concluded the history of the Bryan family and want to congratulate the entire family and tell you why. The mother of the Bryan family died young as her history will show. Her children were small when she died. Their father cared for them the best he could.

They had a good public school education. The boys went to work at an early age on the railroad at Vincent, Ohio, where they lived with their father. They began at the bottom and worked upward; both were promoted several times, and both retired after many years' services on the road, feeling the need of a better education. As the years flew by they read and studied until they acquired a useful and practical education. Their sister, Hattie, in her love and devotion to her family, has her reward also. They have made themselves what they are. I wish their mother could have lived to see her family as it is today. How she would have loved to see them and visit them. But He "Who rules our destinies, and shapes our ends," willed it otherwise.

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THIRD GENERATION

CHARLES JEROME MURDOUGH

Charles Jerome Murdough, youngest child of Elias and Malinda Murdough, was born January 28, 1840, in Palmer, Ohio. In his earlier years he attended school at Palmer, Ohio. After his parents bought a farm in Morgan County, Ohio, he attended school at Hebron Ridge, now known as Dale. He was a farmer and as his brothers and sisters were all married he stayed with the old folks, taking over the farm and caring for them. He was a fine specimen of manhood, strong and healthy, of good habits and loved by all his friends. When the Civil War broke out he felt it his duty to enlist, much against his parents' wishes, not that they were disloyal to their country, but he was their youngest child and the staff of their declining years, and it was hard to let him go. But they gave their consent and he enlisted August 13, 1862, as a Private in the 92nd Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Company G, under Captain Loring of Marietta. His first engagement with the enemy was at Hoover's Gap. Later he was in the mighty struggle at Chickamauga, where he faithfully performed his part, coming through the battle with nothing worse than a bullet hole through his hat. Then came the Battle of Mission Ridge. Next the Battle of Lookout Mountain, which is said to have been fought above the clouds, but that was not true as I learned from an old negro man, who was through the war and later held the position of guide to tourists. Charles, Ethel and I spent a day there, the guide taking us all over the battle ground, telling us all he knew of the battle and answering all my questions. The Rebels were stationed on the top of the mountain, the Union men below. The Rebels, being above, aimed too high and missed their mark. The Union men swarmed up the hill and conquered. A large monument, donated by New York state, stands on the top of the mountain with two soldiers on the top clasping hands, signifying the North and South are once more at peace. An incline railway goes up the mountain, 4,750 feet long, crossing the historical battle ground and is the steepest incline railway in the world. A fine automobile macadam road also starts at the bottom and winds around the mountain, a distance of seven miles, to the top where there is a small town of beautiful homes, stores and churches. This verse comes to me,

as I remember the grandeur of "Lookout Mountain," and thought of the men who fought and died there.

"Through the West I've roamed a little,
Viewed the Hudson in its flow
Heard the thunderings of Niagara,
And the echoes from below,
But no page in nature's album
E'er can be so grand to me,
As the view from Lookout Mountain,
Down in Sunny Tennessee."

After the Battle of Lookout Mountain, he was detailed to help carry off the dead and wounded. That, after a hard day's fighting was too much for him. He developed stomach and bowel trouble, which caused his death. His last letter home was written January 23, 1864. He was given a furlough February 11, 1864. He lived until the 29th of April of the same year at the age of twenty-four years, never regretting that he had given his life for his country. He was much like his brothers, humorous, kind and loving. He sent his money home to his parents and wrote them often. His letters were all so cheery, one would almost think he was away on a pleasure trip. He did not forget his early training and wrote his mother. He never failed to read his Bible every Sunday and thanked his Heavenly Father each day for His care of him in dangerous times. I will quote a part of one of his letters, of which I have about forty. He said, "I am not homesick, nor have I ever been, though I would like to see you all, the best kind, but circumstances will not permit. And we must all content ourselves and put our trust in Him who has promised to be with us in the 6th trouble, and will not forsake us in the 7th." Funeral services were conducted from the home. Interment was made in Murdock Cemetery.

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CHILDREN OF THE SEVENTH GENERATION

There are but seventeen grandchildren left of the fourth generation, and some of us are getting nearly to the Shore. There are six of the youngest and seventh generation whose names follow:

To the 4th generation: "Our span of life is nearly run;

To the 7th generation: While yours has only just begun."

I will give the names of the seventh generation:

1. James S. Harsha, son of Ronald and Eloise Harsha, was born May 7, 1925 and is at the head of the seventh generation.
2. Joan Bryan, daughter of Eugene and Virginia Bryan, born September 24, 1927.
3. Harry Arthur Harsha, son of Ronald and Elouise Harsha, born August 4, 1928.
4. Priscilla Alden Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Cook, born March 1, 1930.
5. Eugene Gorden Kyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gorden Kyle, born September 23, 1930.
6. Patricia Lee Doonan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Doonan, born February 12, 1932.

History of Palmer

In looking over some items of ancient date, I feel that the Murdough history will not be complete until I have given, to the best of my ability, a few things that will explain the nationality of several families, who were closely and also distantly connected with the Murdough family. I shall speak first of the Gard family. The parents of Cornelius Gard were from England. Those of his wife, Mary Haucher, were from Wales. Cornelius Gard and his wife were married in 1774 at Frederick, West Virginia, and came to Ohio in 1802. They had two sons, Timothy and David Gard. David, the second son, married Mary Hiatt, who was a daughter of James Hiatt and Lucretia Pugh Hiatt, whose descendants live in Palmer and Brown's Mills today. They came to Vienna, locating on the Ohio River, six miles above Parkersburg, West Virginia. They had ten children, one of whom married Elizabeth (Betsey) Pewthers, a sister of Malinda Pewthers Murdough. They lived on a lot purchased from Samuel Brown, who owned at that time the John D. Hemphill farm. It was laid out in one-fourth acre lots from the bridge across Wolf Creek to the corner of the farm where the road goes up the hill into Morgan County and adjoins the Michener farm. Timothy Hiatt and wife, Elizabeth, had no children so they adopted Geo. Gibson and reared him to manhood. He was the father of Captain Charles J. Gibson, who was a captain in the Civil War, and later, a very successful school teacher. He at one time lived on and owned the Samuel J. Henry farm at Brown's Mills, Ohio. George Gibson and family owned a small farm at Dale, Ohio, and their home stood in the corner in front of where the Dale schoolhouse now stands. The schoolhouse formerly stood east of the church and was called the Hebron Ridge schoolhouse and was very dear to me as my early education was acquired there. There are not "Many left to know, who played with us upon the Green, some sixty years ago."

Timothy Hiatt and wife also brought up Malinda Nash, whose mother was a sister of Elizabeth and Malinda Pewthers, but whose name I am unable to get. Malinda Nash married David Shinn, my mother's brother, making my father's family double relatives of the David Shinn family. Elias and Malinda Murdough and all their family visited the Gibson's and Shinn's. Another of whom I wish to speak was Evan Jefferson Jenkins, whose mother was a sister of Timothy Hiatt. He was a particular friend of George W. and Jesse G. Murdough. They grew up together on Wolf Creek, went to school together, hunted and fished along Wolf Creek until they grew to manhood. Then Evan (more familiarly called Jeff) said, "I am going West to grow up with the country and I will be *something* or *nothing*." He went and became a great writer, a noted lawyer, and Receiver in the Land Office of Northern Kansas, writing a book called "The Northern Tier," describing the settlement of Northern Kansas. He was a man of fine principles. One of his favorite

sayings was, "Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may." He wrote to my father about twice a year and sent him a copy of his book, "The Northern Tier," which my father read and valued, and which I have. He died in the winter of 1899, just a short time before my father died. He left a wife and several children. They lived in Concordia, Cloud County, Kansas.

In going back one hundred thirty years, I find the first one to settle in Palmer Township and thus establish the "Palmer Settlement," was Joseph Palmer, who purchased from Ephraim Cutler one hundred sixty acres, (lot No. 1067), where the church, townhouse and schoolhouse now stand. The deed was dated August 9, 1802, and this firmly established "Palmer Settlement." All these beginnings were called "settlements." "Palmer Settlement," so called in honor of the first settler, Joseph Palmer, Jr., who married Sarah Martin. One of their sons, James Martin Palmer, married Sophia Gard, and their daughter, Mary A., married Jesse Granville Murdough. The Palmers came from England, hence are English. Betsey Palmer, an aunt to James Martin Palmer, was the second child born in the Palmer Settlement, John Malster, Sr., being the first. Other families soon came to "Palmer Settlement," the Breckenridges, Malsters, Dunsmares, Hietts, Murdoughs, Leggetts and Pughs. And in going over the beginning of this history, and going back one hundred and thirty years, you will find the Murdoughs were closely and distantly related to most of these families. Our ancestors came from England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland and we need never be ashamed of them, for they were "Blue Blooded Stock," and we should endeavor to cultivate the same good principles in the younger generations, whose opportunities are far greater than ours were. We are the eldest generation now living—the 4th. How much more, then, should the opportunities of the younger generations be.

Another item of relationship I wish to speak of is the following, which I obtained from an old scrap book made many years ago by A. F. Breckenridge, aged father of Mrs. George Dudley Murdough, and I found it complete. It contained all items of interest, all births, marriages and deaths of the people in Washington County, Ohio. The pages were numbered and the name and index corresponding to the page in the back. The item I refer to is this: The death of Mrs. Margaret Murdough, now spelled by them, Murdoch, oldest native born resident of Williamstown, West Virginia, died there in May of 1906, aged ninety years. She was the widow of Jesse Murdough, (Murdoch) a brother of our grandfather, Elias Murdough. Her husband was a prominent citizen of Williamstown. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hazelrigg, pioneer residents of that place. Jesse Murdough was twice married, but I do not know who his first wife was. He had several children. Susan, who married a man by the name of Miraben, who was in the newspaper business in Cincinnati, died several years ago. William, who was unmarried, went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I visited at the home of Jesse and Margaret Murdough many years ago with my two aunts, Mary P. Breckenridge and Mrs. Jesse G. Murdough, and Jesse Murdough visited his brother

Elias several times that I know of in our home. Their sister, Rebecca Murdough Sharpe, was a frequent visitor in the homes of the Murdough children. She married Chas. Sharpe of Harmar, Ohio, (now West Marietta) in 1825. They had ten children, several of whom died in their youth. Four were living when their father died; viz., Jesse, Dudley, Louisa and a daughter, who married Joel Blair. They lived in West Marietta. Her husband owned a foundry. I have forgotten her name. Their descendants did live in Marietta, Ohio. Dudley married Sarah Milligan, of Barlow, Ohio. Louisa married a man by the name of Soles and lived in Kansas. Augusta, another daughter, married Hugh Eddleston of Marietta, Ohio. They moved to New Mexico where her husband was killed in a riot. Julia, or (Dood) for whom our secretary was named, (Julia Sharpe Murdough) lived with her parents, and died there unmarried.

I must now mention the change that was made in the spelling of our name. The name spelled "Murdough" was the Scotch, and the original way of spelling it. I have no record of the time it was changed. Only this: In our family record, Mary's, Bloom's and Milt's names were recorded the old way—Murdough. Brother Charlie was born in 1871 and his name was spelled *Murdock*, so I judge it was in the year 1871, or sooner. I do not know whether it was legally done, or whether it was by an agreement entered into by Monroe, George and Jesse Murdock, and perhaps by some of the younger descendants. It was done to shorten the name; as the Murdochs in Parkersburg spell their name differently. I have wondered if we were not of the same family. There are the "Dills" of Parkersburg, West Virginia; also, our great-grandmother's name was spelled Dilse. Perhaps the Dills are her descendants.

Another item I found in getting the history of the Murdoughs, is a copy of an agreement between a school teacher, named Lydia B. Smith, and the school trustees. This lady lived all her life in Marietta, and her grandchildren taught in the Marietta schools as late as 1904.

"Agreement, May 2, 1825.

"We, the undersigned, do agree to employ Lydia B. Smith to teach school, for the term of one quarter, in the schoolhouse near Daniel Owens, for the sum of \$1.25 per week, to be paid at the following prices: One-fourth in money, the other three-fourths in flax, wool, and rolls, or any other articles to be agreed upon. Flax, 12½c per lb, wool 50c per lb, rolls at 62½c per lb. Each subscriber pays for what he signs. The teacher to board around. School to commence May 9, 1825. Signed by teacher and trustees."

I presume this school was taught somewhere in Washington County, Ohio. I have written the contract as I found it. The younger generations will see the difference between then and now, and I hope will make good use of the privileges of today.

History of Brown's Mills

I shall now endeavor to give a history of Brown's Mills, its start and finish, up to date. In the year of 1815, Samuel Brown built a mill on Lot No. 1073, known today as the Michener farm. He owned and lived on what is now called the Orndoff farm, situated north of Brown's Mills, so named in honor of the owner of nearly all the land round about —Brown's Mills. He began the town by dividing that part of the John D. Hemphill farm, from the bridge along the creek to the Michener farm, into town lots. Several of the lots were sold, and houses built upon them, none of them being permanent, except where the store stood. The first post office was established in 1819, the Post Office Department designating the place, and appointing Samuel Brown, Post Master. He owned the lot, on which the post office was located, and built the store room which contained the post office. He also owned the L. G. Orndoff, A. E. Murdock, Ezra Michener, and John D. Hemphill farms, the two last farms, now owned by Matie Lightner. Elizabeth Hiett next owned the store lot. She sold it to her brother, Gardner B. Pewthers, January 7, 1855. On February 27, 1854, he sold it to Eli Murphy and William D. Robertson. They sold it in 1857 to Hiram Hoon for \$200.00. A man named William Chute dug the well and owned one-half acre of land where the well stood at the end of the lane that went to the Hemphill house. This land, containing the well, was later sold to Hiram Gard, who sold four square rods of land containing the well, to John Hemphill, a noted doctor, and the first resident doctor of Brown's Mills, who donated the well and the four square rods of land to the public, the person, who lived on the store lot to keep the well in good condition. It was the finest well in that part of the country and never went dry. Horses, as well as people, slaked their thirst with its cooling waters. The first store in Palmer Township was owned by Hiram Gard at Brown's Mills, Ohio. He sold his store goods and Samuel Brown bought the building and lot. He sold it to Jesse G. Murdough in 1866. Prior to this sale, and during the Civil War, the post office at Brown's Mills, was removed to the home of Andrew F. Breckenridge at Palmer, there being no one to take care of it at Brown's Mills. He was appointed Post Master and remained in office until W. R. Stacey built a store room and had a general store in Palmer when the office was transferred to the store, with W. R. Stacey as Post Master. The residents of Brown's Mills had to go to Palmer for their mail. The mail was carried to Palmer from Watertown three times a week so the Brown's Mills people hired a boy to go after it, three times a week, to bring it to Brown's Mills proper. In 1888, application was made to return the Brown's Mills office to its proper place, or home, at Brown's Mills, but it was not granted. So a petition was prepared and signed by those whom it concerned for a new Post Office at Brown's Mills, called Wolf Creek Post Office. It was granted and John Lightner was appointed

Post Master, with the office located in his store room. They then had a daily mail. It remained here until "Rural Free Delivery" arrived. Then, as the Post Office was named Wolf Creek, the village was called "Wolf Creek." The John D. Hemphill farm has been owned by several of the Murdough's, Elizabeth Pewthers Hiett, being the first to own the store lot. Then Dr. Henry Bryan bought the Hemphill farm, Jesse G. Murdough, the next owner, Bloom F. Murdough, the next, and John Lightner, next. Bloom did not own the farm, just the lot where the store stood. Bloom sold the store to John Lightner and wife January 24, 1884, where they continued in business until the 16th of April, 1908, when they sold it to Perry Hansford and wife, who in turn sold it to Willis Bachelor of Dale, Ohio. He sold to J. H. Anderson, who owns the lot today. The old store burned when owned by Bloom F. Murdough. Then in March of 1907, a flood visited Wolf Creek and ruined the store goods and damaged the buildings with a loss of nearly \$3,000.00: On July 1, 1930, the store was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. It has never been rebuilt. The first bridge across Wolf Creek at Brown's Mills was built by the early settlers of Brown's Mills prior to the year 1820. It was not well built and on December 10, 1847, was swept away by a flood. In the spring of 1848, McCarlin and Brison of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, built the Grist Mill for Samuel Brown, who contracted with them to build a bridge, but they did not fulfill their contract. Then a contract was made with Samuel Brown, who put up a covered bridge, which was washed away August 2, 1875. The commissioners then came to the rescue and contracted with E. B. Henderson, of Beverly, Ohio, to build a bridge three feet higher than the others. This remained until March 13, 1907, when it was washed away by the highest flood Brown's Mills had ever known. Another bridge was built, which is still standing.

In looking over some articles from the Marietta Register, written by James M. Murdough, I found the following, concerning a land turtle found on the farm of Elias Murdough. The names cut on the turtle are as follows:

1. C. J. M. (Charles J. Murdough) 1857.
2. J. G. M. (Jesse G. Murdough) 1861.
3. G. W. M. (George W. Murdough) 1866.
4. J. M. M. (James M. Murdough) 1874.
5. E. M. (Elias Murdough) 1874.

Mr. Murdough wrote, "The humble reptile was set free to run another decade carrying the above family record, being the father and his four sons, and containing room for more names should it ever be found."

Another item of importance belonging to the residents of Palmer, and vicinity, was the organization of the "Mite Society" in 1873. It was later called the "Social Circle." It was a neighborhood affair, as well as church, the proceeds going to the Palmer M. E. Church, and while all who attended them enjoyed the social festivities, the financial part was a great help to the church. James M. Murdough was elected president, Lydia M. Palmer, secretary, and George Dudley Murdough, treasurer. I will quote from a piece written for the Marietta Register by

the secretary, who said: "For the twenty years following the organization of the society, it had netted the church \$840.00. The membership fee was ten cents. Each family took refreshments enough to serve his own family, paying ten cents into the treasury. One could go in the morning, stay all day, and also attend the evening entertainment, which was mostly for the younger members. Ice cream and cake were served in the summer months, and during the fall and winter months, oysters, for those who did not care for ice cream; or oysters, cake, pie, sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served. The ice cream and oyster socials cost twenty-five cents apiece." Those were good old times and I love to think of them, of our worthy secretary, Lydia M. Palmer, and our treasurer, George Dudley Murdough, who was a great help to the society, in the winter opening the oyster cans. Two socials, that were a success, socially and financially, were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lightner, at Brown's Mills, Ohio. A social held both day and evening netted the society nearly \$35.00. The next one, later held at J. F. Reed's, was the banner social and brought \$117.00. The dinner, oyster supper in the evening, membership fees, and the sale of a quilt, made by the ladies of the society, on which were stitched the names of many, at ten cents per name, brought this sum. Most of the older ones who helped to make this society a success are gone but their good deeds are not forgotten. The society still continues, but under a different name. May it still continue successfully.

OIL BOOM AT BROWN'S MILLS

The starting point of the Oil Boom at Brown's Mills, Ohio, may be credited to my father, George W. Murdough, who had believed for several years that oil would some time, in the near future, be found at Brown's Mills, Ohio. He had several talks with his brother-in-law, P. W. Keith of Dexter City, Ohio, who was a promoter of the oil business in and around that town. He told my father that oil would be found some time within a half-mile of the sand hill, west of the Yarnell farm. One evening, going home from the store at Brown's Mills, accompanied by Luther Daugherty, they crossed the Hemphill farm, and in going up a small elevation, saw a dark substance flowing out of the hillside, which they pronounced oil. He wrote the following piece to the Marietta Register, which I shall copy exactly to prove what I have already written.

"Oil Discovered.

Brown's Mills, Washington Co., O.

I, in company with two others, a few days ago, saw on a hillside, about forty feet from a small run, on a wet day, while the water was gushing from the ground, a black oil floating on the water as it ran down the side hill. On either side of the run, there are high hills, nearly a fourth of a mile from where the oil flowed, and a small stream, Wolf Creek, where two years ago, I saw bubbling at the water's edge, another show of oil. The high bluff between is Limestone land.

So, come, men of talent, come, men of means, and obtain the prize that lays beneath the ground, near Brown's Mills. My faith is strong

in the first one to raise the derrick poles, and get down a test well at this place, for they will be amply rewarded. Any information in regard to the above, can be had by calling at Brown's Mills store where anything pertaining to show of oil will be cheerfully given.

Wolf Creek, Ohio, March 1, 1890. George W. Murdough."

In the fall and winter of 1898 and 1899, the Camerons secured a block of leases in and around Brown's Mills.

My father went with them for several days and helped them, so anxious was he to have the territory tested. We hoped he would live to see it tested, but he died April 16, 1899, before the test was made. The first well was drilled in on the Chas. Yarnell farm, March 5, 1900, making five hundred barrels per day for a short time. It was an edge well bordering on my father's farm for some distance. Well No. 2 was next drilled in on my father's farm, which was almost as good as the Yarnell No. 1. These were the first wells drilled in the immediate vicinity of Brown's Mills. The oil field grew and covered a large expanse of territory, and while the first part of the field has been abandoned, there is still some oil found on several farms. Previous to this Oil Boom, a few deep wells were drilled by Wilson brothers, between Brown's Mills and Patten's Mills on the David Shinn farm. One well was drilled thirteen hundred feet deep, but no oil was found, but a good flow of gas. Several other wells were drilled along the creek, but no oil was found.

I have given you the histories of Palmer and Brown's Mills as nearly correct as I can get it. One regret, I have, and that is that the name "Brown's Mills" was not kept, but with the Post Office, "Wolf Creek," the pump station named "Wolf Creek," the village would be called "Wolf Creek." Brown's Mills was my own home for twenty-five years. My children were born and grew up there. My girlhood days were spent near there, and it seems like home to me. For many years it was a thriving little village, with its mill, store, post office, blacksmith shop and school, surrounded by well-kept farms and homes. And I can only hope that at some future time it may be rebuilt and the churches, one on each side of Brown's Mills, north, east, south and west, may again be filled to their utmost capacity, as I have seen them in my younger days, and the farms flourishing and their owners prosperous.

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Reunions

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I must now speak of the reunions of the Murdough family, which have been held successfully for the past eleven years. The first reunion was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Lightner, Brown's Mills, Ohio, on Saturday, August 20, 1898, in honor of the Bryan boys and their families, who were camping at the Bryan home, originally the Dr. Hemphill farm; the house being vacant it was made ready for them. They came bringing their camping outfit and cook. We all spent a very pleasant time with them during their ten days' stay, so it seemed fitting to have a reunion of their relatives and friends. Sixty-two were present.

In the afternoon ice cream and cake were served at the Hemphill house, the Bryans' former home. All enjoyed the day. A picture of the group was taken in the afternoon. So many of the older ones were present—Mary P. Breckenridge, Virginia Ellis, George W. Murdough, Dr. Henry Bryan, Mrs. Jesse Murdough, and Andrew F. Breckenridge, father of Mrs. George Dudley Murdough. It was a day long to be remembered and should be by the younger ones who were there, for all of the above mentioned ones have died, for the reunion was not continued then, but in the year 1923, by the untiring efforts of Addie Murdough Ullom, and Hattie Bryan Radikin, it was unanimously decided to start them again, so the second reunion was held at the old Bryan homestead, which the Bryans owned at that time and where Hattie Radikin lived. Hugh B. Murdough, the oldest living member of the Murdough family, was elected president; Julia Murdough Worthington, secretary. Both have faithfully performed their duties and are still holding their respective offices, worthy members of the reunions. May peace, love and prosperity abide with this reunion until we shall join our elders in an unbroken reunion in a better country, is the wish of one who has never missed a reunion. My love to all whose names are in this book. My sympathy to those who have suffered. My tears, with those who have wept and mourned, and my prayers for all, especially to those of the younger generations, that all may "See the right way and do it."

My book is finished. I have taken great pleasure in writing it for it has taken me back to my younger days, and strengthened my memory of them, and while I gathered the historical parts for the book, I visited among the different families, which I enjoyed to the utmost, and which helped me greatly to compile the book. To see people and know them rightly, you must stay among them awhile.

I want to thank all who so kindly assisted me in the history of this family. I could not have done it without their help. I have endeavored to give the true story of the family.

And remember to spell "Murdough," Murdock; that "Brown's Mills" is no more, but "Wolf Creek" is, and that "Much loved old schoolhouse of mine," "Hebron School," is now Dale. Many other old land marks have disappeared, for which others have been substituted.

"How dear to my heart, are the scenes of my childhood,
When fond recollections present them to view;
The orchard, the meadow, the deep tangled wildwood,
And every loved spot, that my infancy knew.
The wide spreading creek, and the mill that stood by it,
The bridge, and the ford, that we all loved so well,
The old swimming rock, and the Green Michener Hill,
All these, seem in our mind to lovingly dwell."

This book was begun in October of 1931 and finished in February of 1933. I am in good health at the age of seventy-seven years, and am now living in Granville, Ohio.

